# Hunting and Trapping

## **Emergency Order**

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order 05-04-06

Issued at Kotzebue, Alaska June 29, 2006

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m.

July1, 2006

**Expiration Date:** November 1, 2006 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

#### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order increases the nonresident bag limit for caribou in Unit 23 from one to two caribou for the fall 2006 season. This emergency order does not alter any other caribou hunting regulations in Game Management Unit 23.

#### **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the following regulations in 5 AAC 85.025(18), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Caribou (a), are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Resident	
Open Season	
(Subsistence and	Nonresident
General Hunts)	<b>Open Season</b>

(18)

Unit 23

**RESIDENT HUNTERS:** 

**Units and Bag Limits** 

5 caribou per day; however, cow caribou may not be taken May 16 – June 30

July 1 - June 30

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

2 caribou; however, cow caribou may not be taken May 16 – June 30

July 1 – Oct. 31

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All other caribou hunting regulations in Unit 23 remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

McKie Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

Matt Robus Director

#### **JUSTIFICATION:**

During the March 2006 Board of Game meeting in Fairbanks, the caribou bag limit for nonresident hunters in Unit 23 was reduced from 5 caribou to 1 caribou. At the continuation of the meeting in May, an emergency petition was received from a transporter requesting an increase in the bag limit for one year to accommodate clients that had already been booked for the fall season prior to the bag limit reduction.

The Board of Game authorized an increase in the Unit 23 caribou bag limit for nonresidents, from one caribou to two caribou, for the fall 2006 season only. After this hunting season, the bag limit will be one caribou for nonresident hunters.

#### **DISTRIBUTION:**

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### NEWS For Immediate Release NEWS

## State announces nonresident caribou bag limit of 2 caribou for the fall 2006 hunting season in Unit 23

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game issued an emergency order that changes the nonresident caribou bag limit in Unit 23 for the fall hunting season. The nonresident bag limit for the period July 1 – October 31 is 2 caribou per season in Unit 23.

During the March 2006 Board of Game meeting in Fairbanks, the caribou bag limit for nonresident hunters in Unit 23 was reduced from 5 caribou to 1 caribou. At the continuation of the meeting in May 2006, an emergency petition was received from a transporter requesting an increase in the bag limit for one year to accommodate clients that had already been booked for the fall season prior to the bag limit reduction. The Board authorized an increase in the caribou bag limit in Unit 23 for nonresidents from one caribou to two caribou for the fall 2006 hunting season only. Beginning in November 2006, the bag limit will be one caribou for nonresident hunters.

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